

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF
HOPKINSON ET AL.**

**Art Unit: 4133
Examiner: Brown, Courtney A**

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO:

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For: Submicron Mesotrione Compositions

**Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.113

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 17, 2009, the following remarks are respectfully submitted for entry and consideration. A Notice of Appeal and the requisite fee is filed contemporaneously herewith. Applicants do not believe any fee is required to accompany the present Reply; however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 09-0528.

Amendments to the Specification – none

Amendments to the Claims – begin on page 2 of this paper

Amendments to the Drawings – N/A

Remarks/Arguments – begin on page 6 of this paper